

| Income Range | No. of Individual Assesseees. |
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| 3. Between Rs. 1 lakh to Rs. 5 lakh. | 1,98,819 |
| 4. Above Rs. 5 lakh | 7,243 |

Joint Sector Trading Companies

3834. SHRI HARI PATHAK: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up joint sector trading companies is State to deal with export promotion;

(b) whether there is also a proposal to set up a Boards of Trade at State level;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the foreign exchange likely to be earned by these companies; and

(e) the employment potential for Indians?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c). The State Government have been requested to consider setting up joint sector trading companies to promote exports, and also Boards of Trade as the Central level.

(d) and (e). It is not possible to estimate the likely earnings, etc., from the proposed joint sector companies. Board of Trade is only an advisory body.

[Translation]

Export of Sugar

3836. DR. RAMESH CHAND THOMAS:

SHRI RATILAL VERMA:
SHRIMATI BHAVNA
CHIKHALIA:
SHRI DEVI BUX SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the production of sugarcane in the country during 1990-91:

(b) the quantity of sugar exported during the above period:

(c) the countries to which sugar has been exported; and

(d) the target fixed for the export of sugar during 1992-93?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHED): (a) Total sugar cane production during 1990-91 has been provisionally estimated at 240287 thousand tonnes.

(b) and (c). During 1990-91, a quantity of 65,000 tonnes of sugar was exported to EEC, USA, Sri Lanka, Maldives and Nepal.

(d) No target for export of sugar during 1992-93 has been fixed so far.